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Re: Nonprovisional Patent Application
Title: ANIMAL WITH SURGICALLY MODIFIED GASTROINTESTINAL
TRACT AND METHOD FOR STUDYING OBESITY
Docket No. RFSUNY-3673 R1410
Serial No. 10/802,996

Dear Sir:



Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment and corresponding paperwork for the above-referenced matter, which are being submitted for filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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Enclosures

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)			Docket No. RFSUNY-3673 R1410		
Applicant(s): Michael Meguid					
Serial No. 10/802,516	Filing Date 03/17/2004	Examiner	Group Art Unit 3738		
Invention: ANIMAL WITH SURGICALLY MODIFIED GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT AND METHOD FOR STUDYING OBESITY					
 TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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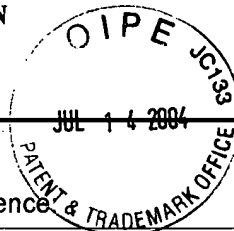
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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, between "Title" and "Background of the Invention" heading insert:

Related Application

The present invention claims priority to U.S. Provisional No. 60/457,213, filed on March 21, 2003, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.